

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, FORESTRY, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

327 House Office Building

Thursday 8:30 A.M.

November 3, 2005

Representative Tom Casperson, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Casperson requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltroun, Gillard and Espinoza.

Absent: None.

Representative Sheltroun moved, supported by **Representative Garfield**, to approve the minutes of the **October 27, 2005** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair laid HB 4778 before the committee.

HB 4778	Palsrok	Torts; immunity; liability for injuries sustained by renters and users of rented nonmotorized watercraft; clarify.
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Representative Palsrok, sponsor of **HB 4778**, explained his bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Rodney Stokes, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources submitted a testimony card indicating a **neutral position on HB 4778**, and did not wish to speak.

Representative Sheltroun moved, supported by **Representative Nitz**, to adopt the following amendments to **HB 4778**.

1. Amend page 3, line 1, after “**MAXIMUN**” by inserting “**WEIGHT OR**”.
2. Amend page 3, line 2, after “**MAXIMUN**” by inserting “**WEIGHT OR**”.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 11-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltroun, Gillard and Espinoza,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Nitz moved, supported by **Representative Sheltroun**, to report out **HB 4778** as substitute (**H-1**), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 11-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltroun, Gillard and Espinoza,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

HB 4778 reported out as substitute (H-1), with recommendation.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **8:55 a.m.**

Representative Tom Casperson, Chair

Date Approved and Signed

Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
November 3, 2005
25 minutes